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Prior Application: G. TSUKUDA  
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This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/975,227, filed on November 21, 1997, entitled A DELIVERY MANAGING SYSTEM, by the inventor named in the prior application.

- CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION  
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

Basic Fee							\$	690.00
Total Claims	3	-	20	=	0	x	18	= \$ 0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	x	78	= \$ 0.00
Total Filing Fee							\$	690.00

3. A check including the amount of \$690.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. Cancel claims 3 and 5-21 before calculating the Filing Fee.

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-1540. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

6. Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line:

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--This is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 08/975,227, filed November 21, 1997.--

7. New drawings are enclosed, fifteen (15) sheets, Figs. 1-19.

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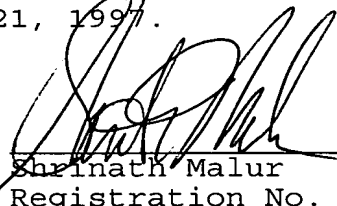
9. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd.

10. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 8-317438, filed November 28, 1996.

The certified priority document has been filed in the parent application, Serial No. 08/975,227.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 08/975,227, as originally filed on November 21, 1997.



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